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Mr. Richard Helms, Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C., 20505

Dear Dick:

When I accepted John McCone's invitation to join CIA in early 1962, it was with the understanding that I would serve at least three and not more than four years. I believe that I have now accomplished all of the major objectives in creating a technical intelligence component for the Agency that we had set down at the beginning. As I indicated to you last week, the Hughes Aircraft Company has offered me a most attractive position, and I should like now to exercise the original option of leaving Government service for private life. As we agreed, 23 September 1966 will be my last official duty day.

Brief words fail to express my admiration for CIA and its people. I consider it a distinct privilege to have been able to serve the national security of my country in such an organization. If I can be helpful to CIA in the future, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely,

Albert D. Wheelon